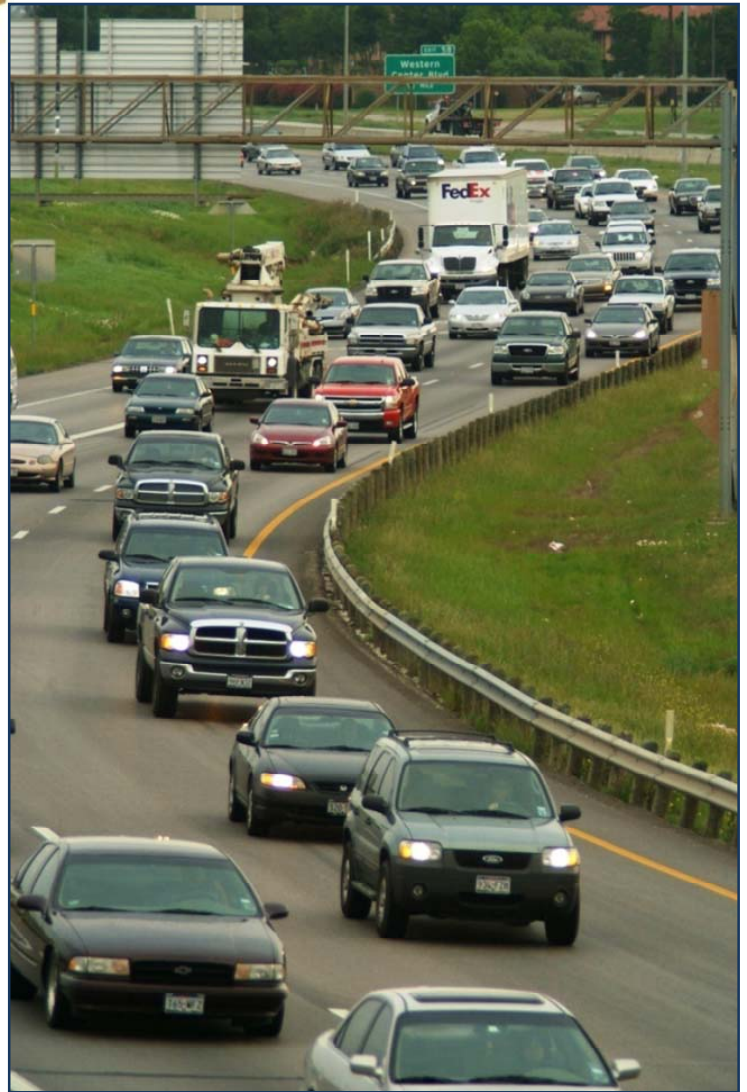




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BILLION DOLLAR PARTNERSHIP FAST TRACKS NORTH TARRANT EXPRESS

TxDOT has conditionally awarded the NTE Mobility Partners' proposal for the North Tarrant Express. Through a public-private partnership opportunity, the team has leveraged limited gas-tax dollars for an estimated \$2 billion investment on 13 miles of the project for long-awaited mobility to northeast Tarrant County. Construction would begin in 2010 and be complete by 2015. NTE Mobility Partners will also concurrently develop master financial and development plans for the rest of the 36-mile corridor.



FUNDING NOW

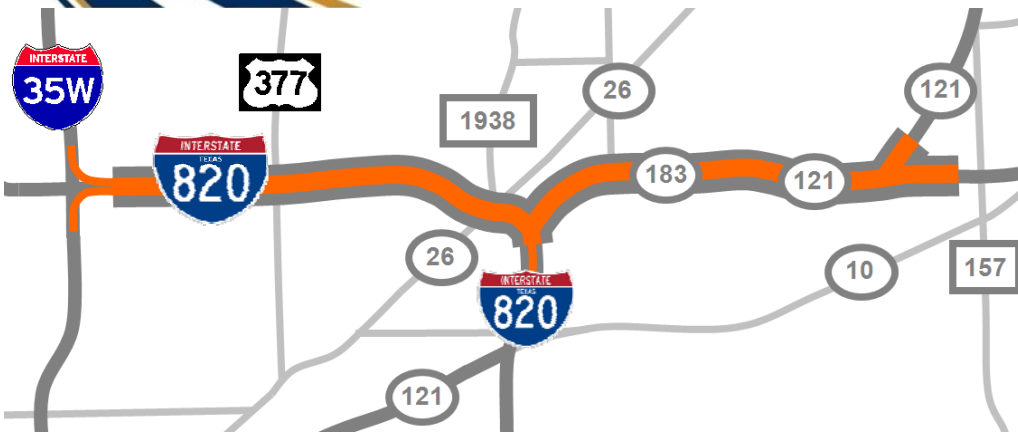
The \$5 billion price tag on the North Tarrant Express mirrors TxDOT's statewide budget. Neither the state nor the region had enough funds to fully advance this entire project with our limited gas-tax dollars.

North Texans will not have to wait any longer as this partnership will now get motorists moving through the heart of the North Tarrant Express from I-35W to SH 121 and an aggressive plan to proceed with the rest of I-35W, SH 183 and East Loop 820.

The largest and most complex transportation improvement project in the history of Tarrant County – the North Tarrant Express will bring needed relief to residents living in one of the fastest growing areas in the country.



CDA PHASE ONE

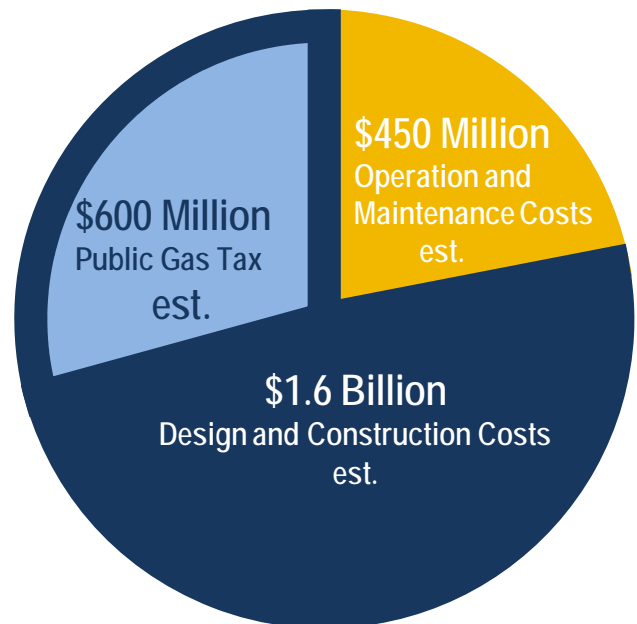


- Reconstruct I-820 and SH 121/183 from I-35W to the SH 121 split
- Add four managed lanes, plus frontage roads and auxiliary lanes
- Build direct connect ramps to/from I-35W at I-820
- Approximately double the existing capacity
- Open in 2015

FUNDING

NTE Mobility Partners has proposed to provide approximately \$1.6 billion in highway improvements with up to \$600 million in public gas-tax funds. As part of the contract, the team will finance, design, construct, maintain and operate the 13 miles of highway improvements for 52 years. The estimated cost of that operation and maintenance is \$450 million, paid for by NTE Mobility Partners. This is a potential total initial investment to the region of over \$2 billion.

Over \$2 Billion



* Net Present Value

* Based on initial proposal – January 2009

PROJECT TIMELINE

Jan. 29, 2009

- Conditional award

Spring 2009

- Public hearing
- Commercial close

Summer 2009

- Team opens local office and begins design
- Team begins master plan for Phase 2

Late 2009

- Financial close

Early 2010

- Begin right of way purchases and utility relocations

Late 2010

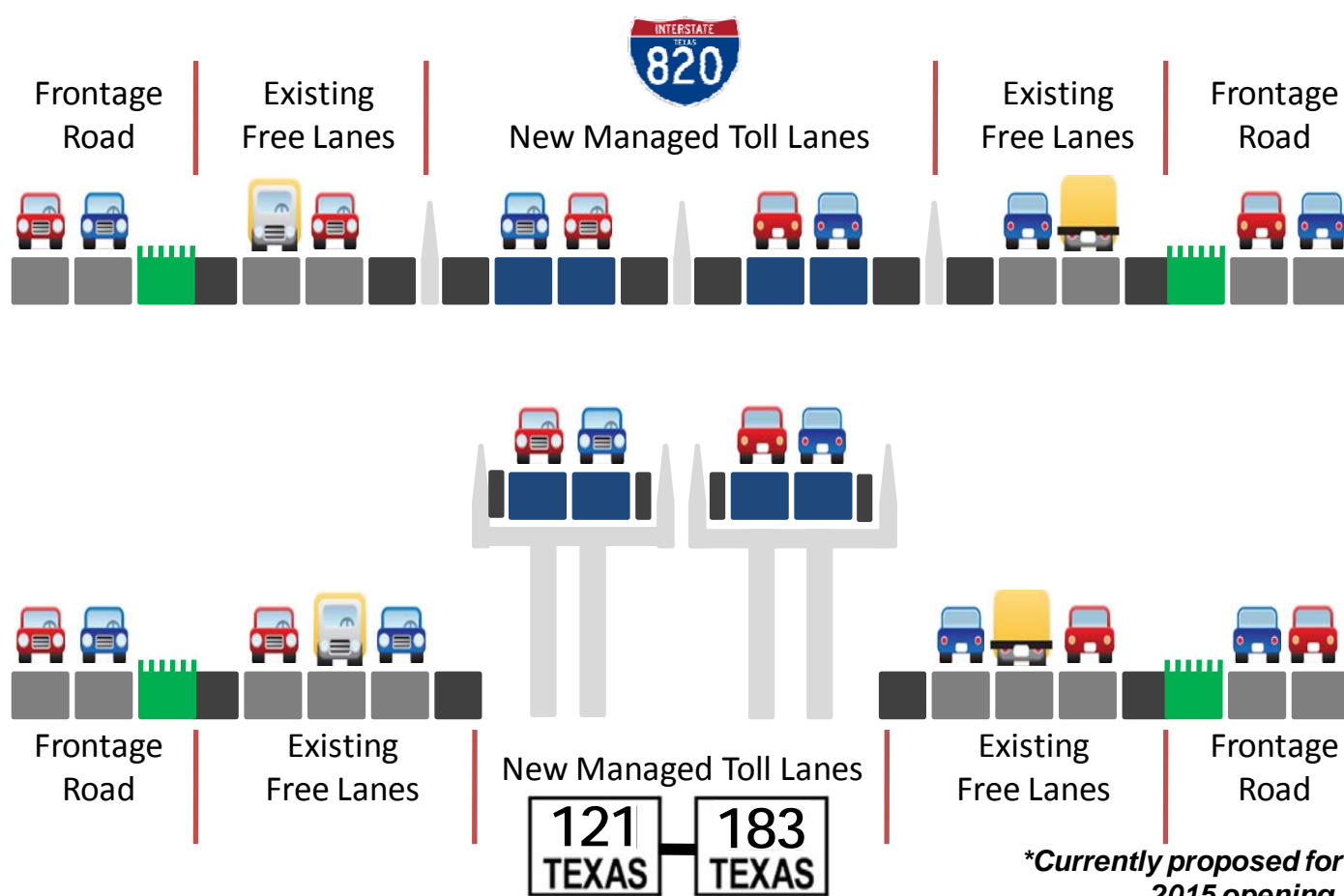
- Construction begins on Phase 1
- Master plan developed

MANAGED LANES

Managed toll lanes are lanes where traffic is kept moving at a faster, more reliable speed (50 mph) by adjusting the toll rate up and down as the number of vehicles increases or decreases respectively.

Drivers can enter and exit the managed toll lanes at numerous points along the roadway and pay a toll to ensure a faster, more predictable trip time.

- Region sets the tolling policy.
- Private sector team implements the policy.
- NTTA is paid to collect the tolls.
- TxDOT retains ownership and oversight of the project.



THE NORTH TARRANT EXPRESS MEETS THE REGIONAL AIR CONFORMITY PLAN

- Carpoolers – discount
- Motorcycles – discount
- Transit vehicles – free
- Trucks with 3 or more axles – higher rate
- Dynamic toll rate adjusted to maintain a minimum of 50 mph



LEGEND

Phase 1

Segment 1
(I-35W/I-820 I-C)

Segment 2

Segment 3A

Segment 3B

Segment 3C

Segment 4



The Master Plan CDA will further define financial and development plans for Segments 1-4. NTE Mobility Partners' initial concepts show an aggressive outlook for these segments, but will be further defined by the end of 2010. The state will continue to move forward on the environmental clearance for I-35W and I-820 East Loop.

PROJECT PARTNERS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Federal Highway Administration Texas Department of Transportation NCTCOG's Regional Transportation Council NTE Mobility Partners Tarrant County City of Bedford City of Euless City of Fort Worth Haltom City City of Hurst City of North Richland Hills City of Richland Hills NTTA 	
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